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D. A. R. TO MARK OLD SANTE FE TRAIL

Society to Ask Legislature to Appropriate Funds for Mile-Stones.

STATE OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

Next Meeting to Be at Cape Girardeau—Four Hundred at Reception.

The Daughters of the American Revolution, at the second session of the State conference at the Elks' Club this morning, approved a plan presented by Miss Elizabeth Gentry of Kansas City to petition the State Legislature for an appropriation to erect granite mile-stones to mark the old Santa Fe trail in Missouri.

This movement, which has been in progress for several years, was started by the Kansas City chapter. Its plan is to mark the old Santa Fe trail from its starting point at Old Franklin, Mo., to the end at Santa Fe, N. M. The road runs through Kansas and Colorado, and extends a short distance into Missouri in the east and New Mexico in the west. The other three states already have erected the mile posts with money appropriated by their legislatures and are waiting for Missouri to complete the trail. The slabs will cost \$16 apiece.

Map of Trail Drawn.

They are to be marked: "Erected by the Daughters of the American Revolution and the state of Missouri." The society has had a map of the trail drawn by John Van Brunt, a St. Louis architect, and the stones will be erected next spring if the money is appropriated. The trail passes through Howard, Saline, Lafayette and Jackson counties. State officers were elected as follows: Mrs. Wallace Delafield, vice-president general; Mrs. George H. Shields, honorary regent; Mrs. Samuel McKnight Green, Jr., regent; Mrs. R. B. Oliver, vice-regent; Mrs. E. M. Head, secretary; Mrs. John D. Lawson, treasurer, and Mrs. Thomas G. Dulaney, historian.

Mrs. R. B. Oliver read a paper on Continental Hall, which was followed by a discussion about the Missouri room in Continental Hall. The Daughters of American Revolution already have funds for the furnishing of a room in the hall but it was decided to raise more money for the purpose. It was also decided to petition the Legislature to have a banner made for Missouri. All the other states have banners in their room in Continental Hall.

To Meet at Cape Girardeau.

Reports were made by the chairman of the Patriotic Education and of the Children of the Republic committees. The next place of meeting was decided upon as Cape Girardeau.

The reception given at the home of Mrs. E. W. Stephens last evening was attended by about 400 members of the society and their guests. Those who assisted Mrs. Stephens in receiving were: Mrs. Berry McAlester, Mrs. George B. Macfarlane, Mrs. Ben F. Gray, Jr., Mrs. R. B. Oliver and Mrs. Samuel Green, Jr. The color scheme, red, white and blue, was carried out in the decorations and refreshments. The decorations were autumn leaves, cypripediums and carnations. Punch was served in an Egyptian den by Mrs. John Thornton, Miss Julia Sampson and Miss Mildred Spalding. The refreshments were red and white, with "D. A. R." in blue and candy American flags on them.

NIGHT RIDERS THREATEN TO KIDNAP GOVERNOR

Tennessee Militia Seeking Slaying of Capt. Rankin.

By United Press.

UNION CITY, Tenn., Oct. 23.—Gov. Patterson has taken charge of the militia which is seeking Capt. Rankin's slayers. The troops are scouring three counties and have even crossed into Kentucky.

The night riders have sent a threat to Patterson that he will be kidnaped unless he discontinues the search but the governor is undaunted.

Rankin's funeral took place in Trenton today. Former Gov. Taylor attended, under the guard of twenty-five armed friends.

Engineers Meet Tonight.

The Engineering Society, composed of Junior and Senior Engineers, will meet tonight at 7:30 in the Physics Laboratory, to hear a lecture by J. H. Brookings on "Railroad Maintenance." Refreshments will be served after the lecture.

MANY ARE INJURED IN INTERCLASS FIGHT

Four New York University Youths Are Carried Off the Field.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—In one of the roughest interclass fights ever witnessed

on Ohio Field, four New York University students, two freshmen and two sophomores, were carried off the field at the annual flag rush between the two under classes. The two freshmen, John Giddins, of Plainfield, N. J., and Oscar Holz, of Staten Island, were the most seriously injured. They were removed unconscious. Joseph Malloy, of Long Island City, and Thomas McCracken, of this city, the sophomores, were assisted from the field in an exhausted state.

Malloy and McCracken speedily revived, but Giddins and Holz, suffering from kicks in the groins, did not regain consciousness for ten minutes; then they were taken to their rooms in Gould Hall, and had so far recovered last night as to be able to walk. Both will attend classes to-day.

The rush was won by the freshmen, with twenty-eight hands on the flag to twenty-four 1911 hands. Practically every one of the students in the fight bore marks of the fracas, and all the one hundred freshmen and seventy-five sophomores, who took part in the scrimmage retired last night with aching muscles.

The sophs had only one consolation, they succeeded in wresting from the freshmen, after time had been called, the spoils of war—the flag itself.

It is the custom at New York University that the class having the greatest number of hands on the flag shall keep it.

FULTON STUDENTS GO OUT ON STRIKE

Threaten to Leave in a Body Unless Expelled Men Are Reinstated.

By United Press.

FULTON, Mo., Oct. 23.—Students of Westminster College, to the number of 250, are striking for the reinstatement of eight upper classmen who were expelled as the result of a hazing episode.

The men were expelled for trying to prevent the "Freshies" from attending a reception. Two of the first-year men drew revolvers and held their assailants at bay.

The reinstatement of the upper classmen is demanded by the whole school, and the students have threatened to leave in a body if their demands are denied.

DISCARDED SUITOR KILLS BRIDEGROOM

Victim Falls in Train Beside His Bride of an Hour.

By United Press.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 23.—H. F. Beaveau today shot and killed F. H. Van Ingen, who was sitting beside his bride of a day in a Texas Pacific train near here. Beaveau was the discarded suitor. He attended Van Ingen's wedding to Miss Minnie Rhorer at Alexander, and boarded the train with the couple when they started on their honeymoon trip.

After the train started he approached Van Ingen and asked if he was happy. The latter answered, "Yes," Beaveau drew a gun, exclaiming, "I can't see you happy, when I'm an outcast."

Cause of Race Riot Hanged.

By United Press.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 23.—Joe James, negro, was hanged today for the murder of Clergy Ballard, white, last August. The delay in the James trial was one of the causes of the race war and lynchings here recently. James made a written confession stating that he was drunk at the time he committed the murder.

Big Engine tarted Again.

The big engine in the Mechanic Arts building, which has been idle for the last year and a half with a broken cylinder was put in motion again today. A new cylinder which was made especially for the engine arrived a few days ago. The engine is used by the eniors in the course in Mechanical Engineering.

HOW BIRCHFIELD BECAME FRESHMAN

Zeal for Learning Aflame in His Breast Despite Adversities.

NO OBSTACLE CHECKED COURSE

For Five Years He Worked and Studied Before He Entered University.

"Five years ago I didn't know a noun; today I am a Freshman in the University of Missouri."

So says G. I. Birchfield, which shows what an infinite amount of hard work, backed by ambition, can do.

Birchfield was born on a farm near Marceline, O., and the story of his life is unique. He started to school after the fall work was done and had to stop on special occasions, such as hog-killing times. In the spring the farming began long before the country school was out. He took little interest in books and received little encouragement at home.

At the age of sixteen Birchfield fell into the hands of a pretty school teacher, who saw in the boy a fine prospect for a useful man. She encouraged him and interested him in books. The multiplication table he learned in two weeks. And so well did he know it that never could he be "stalled" on nine times nine or seven times eight.

Learned Self-Reliance.

Upon the farm Birchfield learned to handle machinery and stock and to rely upon his own resources. This proved a good lesson later. At the age of nineteen he started out to make his fortune; where, he didn't know and cared less. He borrowed \$12 from his father and set out to see the world. He had a cheap suit of clothes for Sunday and a suit of overalls for everyday. His "extras" he carried in a small telescope.

First Birchfield went to Kansas City. On the train he met four young fellows on their way to Oklahoma, but he soon parted company with them, for they ate more than he could afford. He arrived in Kansas City at night and made his first acquaintance with metropolitan life. He paid twenty-five cents for a bed near the station and bought his breakfast for fifteen cents. Early the next day Birchfield started out for work. He met a drunken man who asked what he wanted. When young Birchfield replied "work," he offered to get him a position with his brother-in-law, to load cars. The boy refused to go into the saloon to find the man, but the drunken man complimented him for his good judgment and brought the employer outside. The boy was employed. This was his first work in a city.

A Random Journey.

He worked hard all afternoon. A careless man threw a crowbar on his foot and mashed it. This caused him to quit.

He had heard about the wheat fields of Kansas and started thither. He got a folder and followed the lines until he came to Ossawatimie. The word he couldn't pronounce, but he bought a ticket to the place. This drew heavily upon his little supply of money. Upon his arrival at Ossawatimie it was raining and the prospect for wheat-threshing was dark. He decided to go to St. Joseph to visit a cousin. Here he obtained work as a carpenter, then on the street, then in a candy factory. The thought of going to a business college struck him. He entered but was handicapped by his lack of training in the common branches. He took special pains with spelling, writing, and correspondence. At the end of four months he was proficient in these. Then his father wrote for him to come home as he was to have a sale and move. He went for one day—that of the sale.

Comes to Columbia.

He decided to go to school again. He had talked to a former student about the University of Missouri and decided to come to Columbia and finish in five years. When he came, he found he could not enter. He fell into the hands of Prof. George H. Beasley, who induced him to enter the Columbia Normal Academy and gave him work to do.

It wasn't long until a position at Parker Memorial Hospital was open. Young Birchfield was employed at \$10 a month, with lodging. For five years he worked there, and finished the complete academy course. Then he entered the University without a condition. Through all his hard battle he has retained an optimistic outlook on life, and he is one of the most hopeful and industrious students in the University.

CORNERSTONE WILL BE LAID MONDAY

Classes Will Be Dismissed for Ceremonies at the New Agricultural Building.

DOCKERY TO MAKE ADDRESS

Corps of Cadets Will Escort Procession from University Quadrangle.

All exercises of the University of Missouri will be suspended between 10 and 12 a. m. Monday to permit the students and faculty to attend the ceremonies at the laying of the cornerstone of the new Agricultural College building.

The procession, consisting of the Board of Curators, the Board of Agriculture, officers of the grand lodge of Masons, the faculty and students of the College of Agriculture and invited guests, under escort of the corps of cadets, will form at 10 o'clock in front of the old Agricultural building on the quadrangle and march to the site of the new building, where the cornerstone will be laid with Masonic ceremonies.

Distinguished Men on Program.

Addresses will be made by former Gov. A. M. Dockery, Norman J. Colman, first secretary of Agriculture under President Cleveland; Dr. R. H. Jesse, former president of the University of Missouri; President A. Ross Hill, State Senator T. J. Wornall; H. H. Brunert, state senator from this district; Morton H. Pemberton, state representative from this district, and B. H. Bonfoey, of Unionville, Mo., member of the Board of Curators.

Gov. Folk will be unable to attend. Notice of the suspension of classes was given by Dr. J. C. Jones, acting president of the University in President Hill's absence.

WASHINGTON HAS DIRECT PRIMARY

New Law is Upheld by the Supreme Court of the State.

Special Correspondence.

SPOKANE, Wash., Oct. 23.—Washington's direct primary election law, which was first tested in Spokane in May, 1907, and at the state primaries last September, has been declared constitutional by the Supreme Court of the State. The court also upholds the non-partisan judiciary feature, saying that whether wisely or not, the legislature had the right to adopt the plan in a reasonable exercise of its powers.

The right to exact a fee for the privilege of becoming a recognized candidate for nomination was also sustained. On this the court said: "Primaries are to select candidates, not to elect officers, and being so the qualifications of electors provided by the constitution for general election can have no application thereto."

Regarding the objection to the second choice provision, which it was alleged in the complaint by W. W. Zent, compels an elector to vote for a candidate other than his choice, the ruling was: "The contention is untenable. The elector has the utmost freedom of choice in casting his first choice ballot, though his choice will not avail him unless at least 40 per cent of his party agrees with him."

CONFERENCE MAY BE OUTCOME OF CRUISE

Nations Would Throw Light on the Eastern Problem.

By United Press.

TOKIO, Oct. 23.—A convention of the powers interested in the Eastern problem may be the outcome of the American fleet's visit to Japan, which is openly urging a conference. Japan, America and England are all interested, and declare there has been too much secrecy regarding the motives of the powers in the Pacific ocean.

America is ready to proclaim her purposes if the other nations will join the conference. The officers of the fleet favor the plan and are much impressed with Japan's power.

STEPHENS COLLEGE HAS PROSPERED

This is Report Made to the Baptist Association at Moberly.

MOBERLY, Mo., Oct. 23.—At the Baptist Association, Dr. Carver, instructor of the history of missions in the Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., gave an interesting report of the school. Its fifteenth anniversary will be celebrated in May with a jubilee. This year is the most prosperous of its history.

The report of the Educational Board included Stephens College at Columbia, Hardin College at Mexico and Lagrange College. All are in prosperous condition and show marked advancement.

T. M. Jones, David Harris of Fulton and J. L. Applegate of Kansas City spoke on the laymen's great movement, at which they pledged to give \$100,000 for missions during the coming year.

The Women's Board of Missions submitted a report and during the year raised \$13,191 for missions.

The Committee on Nominations reported Sedalia as the next place of meeting and selected the Rev. W. O. Anderson of Springfield to preach the introductory sermon.

Dr. Williamson of St. Louis delivered an earnest address at the mass meeting in the interest of State missions. At the evening session W. O. Anderson also made a stirring appeal for more men and money for evangelizing Missouri.

DIAMOND MERCHANT SLAIN IN STORE

Bold Thieves Rob New York Jewelry Shop and Escape in Auto.

By United Press.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Bold diamond thieves today executed a daylight robbery in the jewelry store of Maurice Tannenholz and fatally shot the owner, who was endeavoring to protect his property. The robbers escaped in a waiting automobile.

The drew up at the Tannenholz store and one man entered, while his two companions waited outside. The man presented a forged letter from a banker, saying he wanted to buy diamonds. Tannenholz brought out his best gems. The thief seized a valuable necklace and rushed out of the store. Tannenholz pursued the robber who turned and shot him, and then jumped into the automobile and escaped.

BRYAN REPLIES TO PRESIDENT'S LETTER

He Thinks Roosevelt's Coming Into the Campaign Will Help Democrats.

By United Press.

POINT PLEASANT, W. Va., Oct. 23.—W. J. Bryan yesterday answered President Roosevelt's letter demanding to know Bryan's position on the injunction question. Mr. Bryan said that if President Roosevelt would read his Labor Day speech he would discover his views on that question.

Mr. Bryan believes that it will help the Democratic cause if Roosevelt comes into the campaign. He made twenty speeches yesterday and starts for New York today.

DUCKS WINGING SOUTH

Local Hunters Depart for Shooting in River Bottoms.

Many ducks were seen yesterday and today winging their way toward warmer climes. This recent cold snap has occasioned their hurried flight southward and has also lightened the hearts of the Nimrods.

Several local hunters departed yesterday for the Missouri river bottoms to enjoy a few days' sport.

"Try Out" for Carol Club.

The Carol Club held its first try-out in the University auditorium this afternoon. The club members are practically selected but some changes are yet to be made. It is composed of the girls of the University who can satisfy the musical director of their singing ability. It is to be put on the same standard as the Glee Club.

WEATHER FLURRY GENERAL IN WEST

Cold Snap Will Continue Tomorrow, is Forecast for Columbia.

SNOW STORMS IN CANADA

Higher Temperature Expected Within the Next Few Days.

According to dispatches received at the local United States weather bureau, the present cold, damp weather flurry is pretty general over the Rocky Mountain and Middle Western States. Locally the conditions show signs of moderating and it is believed that within the next few days the weather will be much warmer.

Cold Again Tomorrow.

For tomorrow, however, the weather man promises little relief and the Tigers may expect a cold day for their game with Westminster, possibly with a slight drizzle.

The weather bulletin is: "Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday. Probable showers. Not much change in temperature."

The minimum temperature was 43 degrees at 8 a. m. and the maximum was 63 degrees at 2 p. m.

\$1,000,000 FLOOD SWEEPS NEW STATE—ENTIRE TOWN MISSING

By United Press.

SHAWNEE, Okla., Oct. 23.—The damage by flood in this part of the country is estimated at \$1,000,000. The town of Denver is reported as entirely swept away.

Rescue parties are taking many people from house-tops and trees. A sudden drop in temperature caused much suffering among the homeless. The conditions of the flood are growing continually worse.

At Tulsa, the Arkansas River is rising two inches an hour. Tracks are flooded, many bridges are wrecked, and houses and barns are floating downstream. At Muskogee three bridges were washed away.

MANY BELIEVED KILLED IN CANADIAN SNOWSTORM

By United Press.

WINNIPEG, Man., Oct. 23.—One of the worst snowstorms ever known here is raging in Western Canada. Ten inches of snow already has fallen and there is no sign of abatement. Winds of great velocity are piling the snow in huge drifts.

The Northern Pacific and the Canadian Northern Pacific Railroads are both demoralized and a dozen trains are snowbound. It is feared that many have perished, the storm having come suddenly.

Big Rains in Kansas.

By United Press.

INDEPENDENCE, Kan., Oct. 23.—As a result of the heavy rain here tonight, the Verdigris river has risen over fifteen feet and is still rising. Seven inches of rain has fallen up to this hour.

The interurban bridge has been washed out and much damage has been done. Hundreds of acres are flooded. No lives are reported lost at this time.

Losses Life in Storm.

By United Press.

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 23.—A. E. Williams, a ranchman living in Warren county, lost his way in the mountains today and was found frozen to death. The storm is the worst in years. It is feared that many hunters in the mountains have perished.

Train Service is Crippled.

By United Press.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 23.—Heavy snowstorms are sweeping Minnesota and the Dakotas. All northwestern trains have been delayed. Powerful rotary snow-plows have been sent out to clear the tracks.

Kern's Son Is Improving.

By United Press.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 23.—John Kern, Jr., son of the Democratic nominee for Vice-President, is improving today. His father, who is still at the bedside, said that he will not renew his campaign tour until certain that his son is out of danger.

Senior Teachers Meet Tuesday.

A meeting of the Seniors of the Teachers College is called for next Tuesday at 10 a. m. in Room 54, Academic Hall.